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Attorney Docket No. 3932P022
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First Named Inventor Benoit Dumoulin

Title: Query Expansion and Weighting Based on Results of Automatic Speech Recognition

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant Claims Small Entity Status. (37 CFR 1.27)
3. Specification (Total Pages 22)
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference sequence listing, a table,
or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawings(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets 4)
5. Oath or Declaration (Total Pages 5)
 - a. Newly Executed (Original or Copy)
 - b. Copy from a Prior Application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for Continuation/Divisional with Box 17 completed)
 - i. DELETIONS OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting
inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2)
and 1.33(b).
 - c. Unsigned.
6. Application Data Sheet. (37 CFR 1.76)
7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies), or
 - ii. paper
 - c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. **Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents(s))**
10. a. Separate 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (where there is an assignee)
 b. Power of Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. a. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
 b. Copies of IDS Citations
13. **Preliminary Amendment**
14. **Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)**
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. **Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.**
17. Other: Express Mail Certificate

18A. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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Of Prior Application No.: _____ Examiner _____ Group Art Unit _____

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REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)First Named Inventor Benoit DumoulinTitle Query Expansion and Weighting Based on Results of Automatic Speech RecognitionAttorney Docket No. 3932P022

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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Date



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Jordan M. Becker

Typed or Printed Name

39,602

Registration No.

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If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the applicant **must** notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of filing of such foreign or international application.

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1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:

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- Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. Payment Enclosed: Check

 Other

FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee	Fee	Fee	Fee
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)
101	710	201	355
106	320	206	160
107	490	207	245
108	710	208	355
114	150	214	75
		Utility application filing fee	<u>710.00</u>
		Design application filing fee	_____
		Plant filing fee	_____
		Reissue filing fee	_____
		Provisional application filing fee	_____

SUBTOTAL (1) \$ 710.00**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims <u>43</u>	$-20^{**} = 23$	X <u>18.00</u>	= <u>414.00</u>
Independent Claims <u>5</u>	$-3^{**} = 2$	X <u>80.00</u>	= <u>160.00</u>
Multiple Dependent			= _____

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Fee	Fee	Fee
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103	18	203
102	80	202
104	270	204
109	80	209
110	18	210
		Claims in excess of 20
		Independent claims in excess of 3
		Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
		**Reissue independent claims over original patent
		**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) \$ 574.00

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

<u>Large Entity</u>		<u>Small Entity</u>			
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Fee Paid</u>
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	_____
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	_____
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	_____
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	_____
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	_____
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	_____
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	_____
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	_____
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	_____
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	_____
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	_____
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	_____
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	_____
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	_____
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	_____
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable	_____
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	_____
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	_____
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	_____
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	_____
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	_____
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	_____
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	_____
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	_____
146	710	246	355	For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))	_____
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))	_____
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	_____
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	_____
195	300	195	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal publication	_____
196	300	196	300	Publication fee for republication	_____
194	130	194	130	Request for voluntary publication or republication	_____
098	130	098	130	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i)	_____
091	1,240	091	1,240	Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority	_____

Other fee (specify) _____

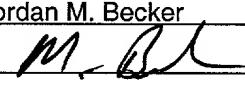
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Client: Nuance Communications Title: Query Expansion and Weighting Based on Results of Automatic Speech Recognition
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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on the date stamped hereon:

- Amendment/Response (____ pgs.)
 - Appeal Brief (____ pgs.) (in triplicate)
 - Application - Utility (22 pgs., with cover and abstract)
 - Application - Rule 1.53(b) Continuation (____ pgs.)
 - Application - Rule 1.53(b) Divisional (____ pgs.)
 - Application - Rule 1.53(b) CIP (____ pgs.)
 - Application - Rule 1.53(d) CPA Transmittal (____ pgs.)
 - Application - Design (____ pgs.)
 - Application - PCT (____ pgs.)
 - Application - Provisional (____ pgs.)
 - Assignment and Cover Sheet
 - Certificate of Mailing
 - Declaration & POA (5 pgs.) (unsigned)
 - Disclosure Docs & Org & Copy of Inventor Signed Letter (____ pgs.)
 - Drawings: 4 # of sheets includes 4 figures
- Express Mail No.: EL627471424US Check No. 40767
 - _____ Month(s) Extension of Time Amt: \$1,284.00
 - Information Disclosure Statement & PTO 144 (4 pgs.) Check No. _____
 - Issue Fee Transmittal Amt: _____
 - Notice of Appeal
 - Petition for Extension of Time
 - Petition for _____
 - Postcard
 - Power of Attorney (____ pgs.)
 - Preliminary Amendment (____ pgs.)
 - Reply Brief (____ pgs.)
 - Response to Notice of Missing Parts
 - Small Entity Declaration for Indep. Inventor/Small Business
 - Transmittal Letter, in duplicate
 - Fee Transmittal, in duplicate

Other: Copies of 6 cited references , Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i)